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# Regular Meeting Minutes June 17, 2009

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Jeanne Burns, Monique Burns, Bill Merson, Dave Arzt, Rodger Hosig

MEMBERS ABSENT:

none

OTHERS PRESENT:

none

### **CALL TO ORDER:**

Dave Arzt, Ad Hoc Chairmen called meeting to order at 7:35 p.m. at the Town Hall 55 Main Street, Ellington, Ct.

CITIZEN FORUM: None present.

#### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

June 4, 2009 and June 11, 2009 First Ad Hoc Crystal Lake Milfoil Committee Meeting and Special Ad Hoc Crystal Lake Milfoil Meeting respectively:

MOVED (M. Burns), SECONDED (R. Hosig) AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY TO APPROVE THE FIRST AND SPECIAL AD HOC CRYSTAL LAKE MILFOIL COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES OF JUNE 4, 2009 AND JUNE 11, 2009.

## **STATUS OF TASKS ASSIGNED:**

- 1. Bill Merson performed a visual survey of the lake with George Knoecklein, Ph.D. of Northeast Aquatic Research and noted the following:
  - a. Plant infestation has grown but not significantly with only some new locations of infestation.
  - b. GPS was used to locate the new infestations and Bill surveyed these locations with his underwater video.
- 2. Bill Asked George the following and we should receive his responses early next week:
  - a. Where do we want to start milfoil removal? George will provide priorities?
  - b. What is the best approach to getting the most plants out with the resources we have?
- 3. Monique contacted Green Cycle. They requested a sample of Milfoil and asked what amount we would expect to want to dump. Monique dropped a sample of Milfoil for them to look at. The cost associated with removal at this site may be too much given that it is expected that the company would have to treat the Milfoil with carbon to keep it from becoming anaerobic.

#### **CONTRACT METHODS AND OPTIONS:**

The Town of Ellington Board of Selectmen at is meeting on June 15, 2009 approved our request to waive the Public Bidding Process.

Discussion: Jeanne Burns suggested we inquire with other companies how they perform section harvesting and what is included in the price so that we would have an idea what other companies do. Roger Hosig suggested that we put out a request for bid that included an item for removal of Milfoil by the Acre, an item for disposing of removed Milfoil and an item for extra acres. Roger agreed with Jeanne's suggestion to perform a brief market analysis. Jeanne suggested we contact the Town to see if there was a bid form we should be using. Monique will contact Marie in the First Selectmen's Office.

Bill Merson stated that the location of a staging/removal area at Sandy Beach may not work because the level of water is so shallow. Dave Arzt questioned if we should include disposal of the milfoil in the bid request. All agreed that if we provided the removal it would leave more funds available for suction harvesting options. Roger Hosig stated that we really needed to get better information of suction harvesting operations before we could determine the best way to put out a bid.

Bill Merson and Dave Artz suggested an alternate staging area that would work for removal of the Milfoil would be the State boat launch. Monique said she would check with Mr. Stupinski regarding the use of Ellington's property by the boat launch as a staging area.

MOVED (M. BURNS), SECONDED (J. BURNS) AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY TO HAVE A SPECIAL MEETING ON JUNE 24, 2009, OF THE AD HOC CRYSTAL LAKE MILFOIL COMMITTEE AT 7:30 P.M. TO BE HELD AT THE TOWN HALL 55, MAIN STREET, ELLINGTON, CT. (See Special Meeting Agenda filed with the Town Clerk).

#### **ADJOURNMENT:**

MOVED (J. BURNS), SECONDED (M. BURNS) AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY TO ADJOURN THIS MEETING AT 9:27 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted,

Mothique 🥰 Burns